every day in the Press and on the platform and I am not expected to take note of all of them. But if any official notice should be taken I shall take note of it."

SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—" But the statement is from the Central Minister? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" But, let me tell my hon. Friend that so far as this road-*cum*-regulator bridge is concerned, it has not been before the public or before the Government for a very long time. It was only after the anicut was damaged it was enquired into and the Committee that was asked to go into the matter proposed that one of the measures would be to have a road-*cum*-regulator bridge as it would be more economical to combine both. It was taken up expeditiously also."

(Sri T. Nagi Reddi rose.)

MR. SPEAKER :—" We have to cover thirty more questions to-day."

SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—" I would like to make a submission, Sir. Last time we expected that this Enquiry Committee Report would be discussed and hoped that opportunity would be given to discuss it in detail."

MR. SPEAKER :—" I would like him to have a talk about it with the Leader of the House and then come to a conclusion."

SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—" I request the Hon. Minister for Public Works to give us a chance to go into the whole question—of course, in consultation with the Leader of the House—and I am sure that if both of them agree, they can give us at least half an hour to go into the whole question, because the public have been very much agitated over this question. I would therefore request the Government to give due consideration to this request."

Disbanding of Famine staff in Chittoor district.

* 298 *Q.*—SRI B. KRISHNAMURTHI RAO : Will the Hon. 9–10 a.m.
the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state whether there is any proposal to disband the Famine staff in Punganur, Palmaner, Chittoor, Madanapalle and Vayalpad taluks and if so, why?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" There is no proposal to disband the famine staff employed in Punganur, Palmaner, Chittoor, Madanapalle and Vayalpad taluks of Chittoor district."

Selection of Assistant Surgeons.

* 299 *Q.*—SRI S. RAMALINGAM (on behalf of Sri M. Kalyanasundaram) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many candidates were selected by the Public Service Commission in the years 1951 and 1952 for the posts of Assistant Surgeons;

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(b) how many of them have been posted; and

(c) what is the cause of the delay in posting all of them?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (a) to (c) A statement* is placed on the table of the House."

Repairs of minor irrigation sources in Visakhapatnam district.

* 300 Q.—SRI K. GOVINDA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) how many minor irrigation sources were repaired by the Revenue department in Visakhapatnam district in the year 1952–53;

(b) what is the total amount spent so far on carrying out these repairs;

(c) whether the Collector of Visakhapatnam made any request for additional grant in this respect;

(d) if so, how much; and

(e) whether the Government have complied with the request of the Collector?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (a) According to information available with the Government repairs to 110 minor irrigation sources were completed up to December 1952 and repairs to 209 works are in progress.

" (b) The amount spent is Rs. 1,09,065-7-0.

" (c) Yes.

" (d) Rs. 2,34,997.

" (e) An amount of Rs. 1,23,800 was sanctioned."

SRI K. GOVINDA RAO :—" Is it a fact that the Government have ordered the stopping of all the minor irrigation repair works under execution suddenly and, if so, why? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" I want notice."

Representations from the Secretary of the Illegal Eviction Protest Committee, Wynaad.

* 301 Q.—SRI M. K. PADMAPRABHA GOUNDER : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state the action taken by the Government on the memorandum received by him on 25th October 1952 from the Secretary of the Illegal Eviction Protest Committee, Chekkanari Patta Hills, Tiruvambadi, Wynaad constituency, alleging attempt of forceful eviction and requesting protection?

* Printed as Appendix I on page 914 infra.